



ALL THREE CANDIDATES seeking the federal nomination for the Halton riding at the Progressive Conservative party's March 15 nomination meeting, were in Milton one evening last week tub-thumping for support. Candidates Terry O'Connor (left), Jim Muir and Bert Hinton are pictured chatting with Rick Day (right) who chaired a discussion period Wednesday evening. All three gave speeches and fielded questions from the audience.—(Staff Photo)

Reeve thinks dog by-law restrictive

Reeve Anne MacArthur of Nassagaweya Township is not too happy with the township's new by-law on the registering of dogs and the control of free roaming canines.

Approval for the by-law was received at a recent meeting of township council.

"This by-law might have been drawn up in the city of Toronto," she said.

The by-law makes provision that dogs in the township do not endanger the physical well-being of Nassagaweya citizens. Excessive howling by dogs is among the items restricted through the by-law.

"Sick" "This by-law is so restrictive it makes me sick," stated the Reeve.

Councillor Arthur Gibson told the Reeve that most of the provisions of the by-law would probably apply more for a dog kennel than private dog owners. "If it came before the law, it

wouldn't look like a kennel," retorted Mrs. MacArthur.

Clerk Campbell Thompson told council he had based the wording of the by-law on existing township statutes, as well as using the dog by-laws of other communities, such as Milton as a model.

Since 1942 "I've tried to cover every aspect that I could it's up to council how they pass it," Thompson also told council that the township's previous dog by-law dated back to 1942.

Thompson told Council that the township had been "very hamstrung" by the existing by-law. He cited the incident of a young girl in Campbellville who was bitten by a "vicious" dog. "Under the existing by-law there wasn't much the municipality, or the OPP, whom I called in regard to the matter, could do about the incident."

"Every other dog has to suffer because of the bad dogs," quipped Mrs. MacArthur.

Covers loopholes Councillor Arthur Gibson came out in support of the by-law. "Is there any other way to control dogs? This by-law will cover any loopholes that might occur. We may not have to enforce the law

to its full extent." Mrs. MacArthur was the only member of Council who opposed the new by-law which was passed at the meeting. "I'm only sorry I have to put my name to this," stated the Reeve.

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